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**Governor Dave Freudenthal** 

## **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: February 19, 2008

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Joe D'Eufemia, Tobacco Prevention Specialist

SUBJECT: Tobacco Free Wyoming Communities Grants

REF: 08-JD-001

The Wyoming Department of Health – Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services Division (Division) is now accepting Letters of Intent to apply for Tobacco Free Wyoming Communities (TFWC) grants for the Fiscal Year 2009 (July1, 2008 – June 30, 2009).

The TFWC grants are state and federally funded grants focused on eliminating exposure to second hand smoke, preventing initiation of tobacco use among youth and reducing youth tobacco use, reducing tobacco use within an identified disparate population, and promoting cessation among youth and adults.

Division <u>Rules</u> [soswy.state.wy.us/Rule\_Search\_Main.asp] require that existing providers receive preference in funding over other organizations applying for the same services in the same service area unless it is determined that the existing provider is no longer entitled to preference due to lack of performance, misuse of funds, or other considerations affecting client care. Notifications will be made to each agency affected if the Division receives Letters of Intent that necessitate competative applications.

Letters of intent should include a statement of intent to make application identifying the agency and county[ies] to be served, agency contact (name, title, address, phone, email), and a description of the agency's experience and qualifications to successfully undertake this project.

Letters of Intent must be signed by the Director of the agency. Letters of intent must be received at the address below no later than the close of business on **February 29, 2008**. An application packet will be mailed to you by **March 3, 2008**. Local applications will be due no later than **April 16, 2008**.

If you have any questions, please contact Joe D'Eufemia at (307) 777-3744.



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